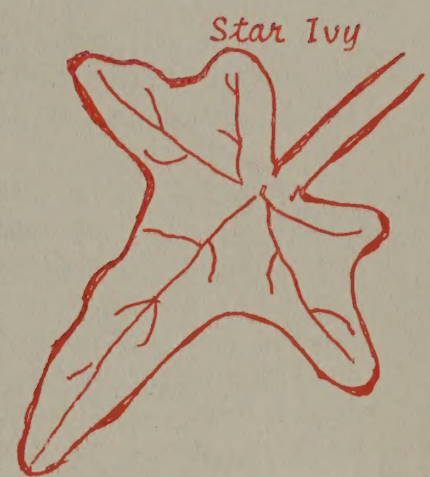
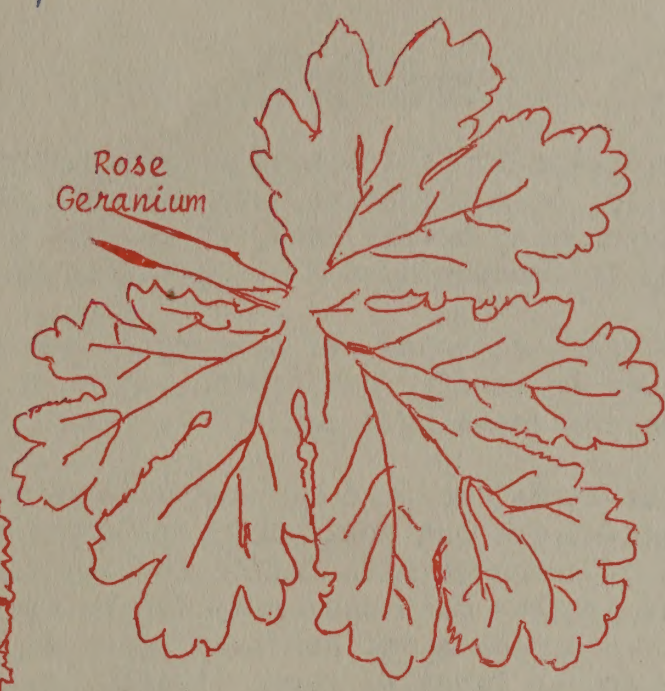


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Rare House Plants

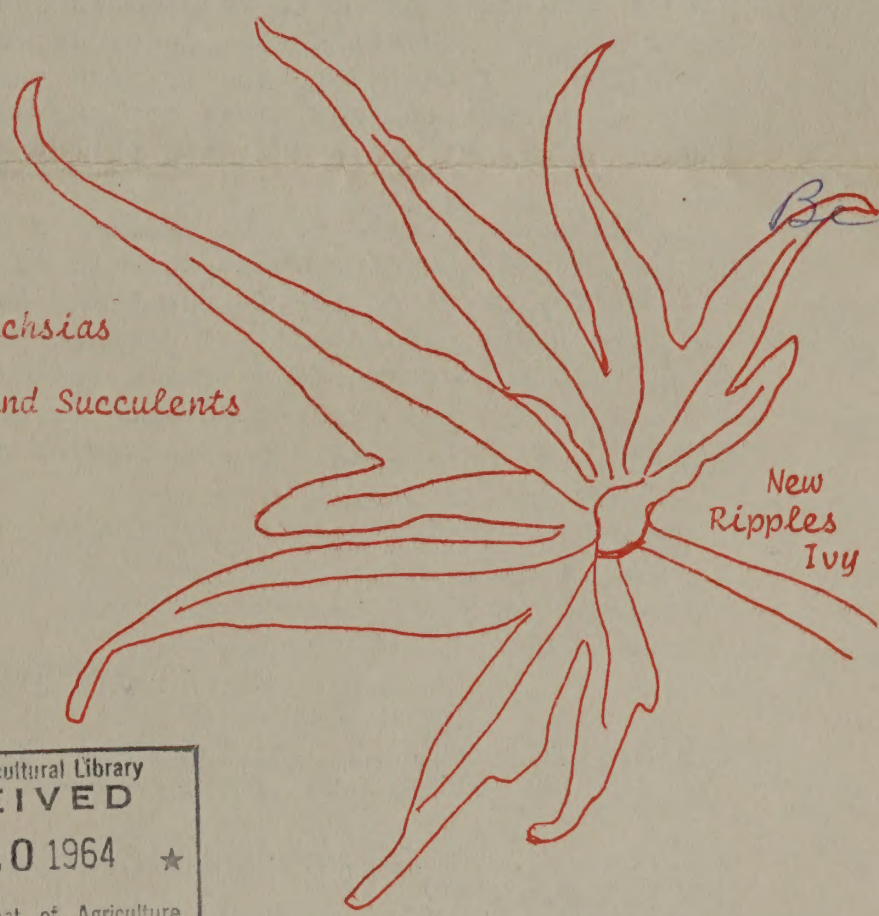
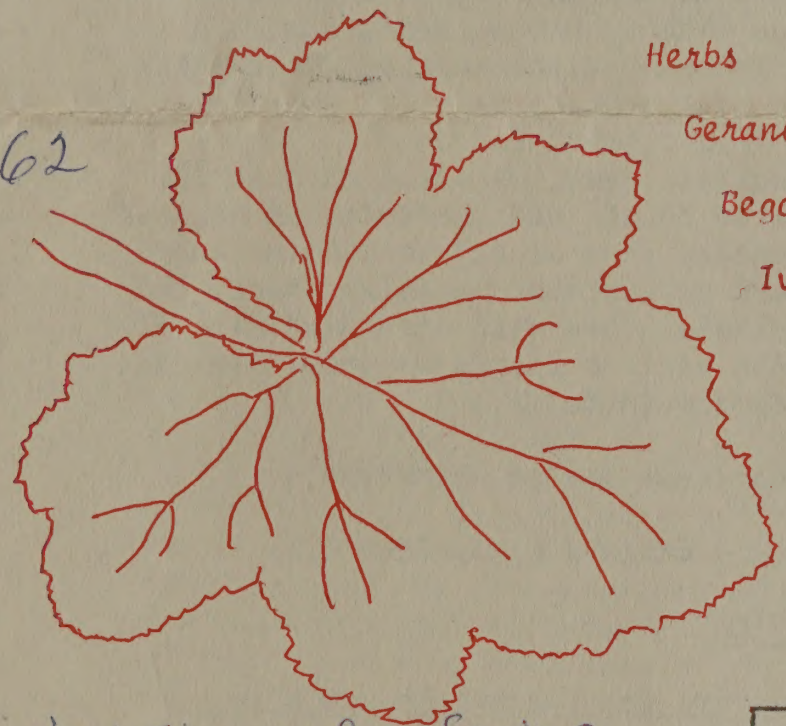
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FOREWORD

We at Merry Gardens join with all plant minded folks in wishing garden lovers around the world another year for better growing. We are dedicating this year not to growing more plants, but to growing better ones, to perfect upon our already much praised method of shipping and to improve upon the facilities we already have.

With the addition of another greenhouse and more buildings for working space, we are better prepared than ever to handle your orders, large or small, with the usual speed and efficiency our customers have learned to expect.

Despite the turmoil of our times, we feel we have much to be grateful for. First of all, we are most grateful for our continuity of Government that enables us to proceed in our chosen line of endeavor with little interruption when calamity strikes. Then we are grateful for our many customers who by their continued patronage and letters tell us how our plants are received (good or bad) giving us the confidence we need to proceed in our labor of love. Lastly, we are grateful to our loyal employees both past and present without whose help, understanding and endurance we would be unable to accomplish the days task.

The story of Merry Gardens, as many have now read, came out in the April, 1963 issue of Down East Magazine (a magazine of Maine.) For those who have not read this human interest, well illustrated story of Maine's "Merry Gardens", we have reprints available and will be glad to send one to you. Send 10¢ to cover expenses and a stamped addressed long envelope, or we will include one in your order if specified. It tells you how we pack and ship your orders, how we started with a tiny pit house eighteen years ago and have grown to our present size of three greenhouses (now four) with adequate buildings for our many operations.

Although we will not be issuing a new Catalog this year, we still have copies of our 1963-64 Catalog which we will be glad to send to all old customers on request and for the price of 25¢ to those who have not ordered from us before. By making our last years catalog do for another year, we feel we can avoid raising prices and will be able to completely remake our Catalog in 1965. This will also give us more time to do another writing so much in demand on the various plants we grow. In the meantime, we will keep you informed of any new items with lists.

Yours for Better Gardening,

Ervin & Mary Ellen Ross

SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS

MINIMUM ORDER - \$3.00 plus Postage. Prices quoted are for 2-1/4 inch pot size.

TERMS: Cash with order, by check or money order. No C.O.D.

For Postage, Special Handling and Packing, add the following:

NEW ENGLAND STATES

.75¢

OTHER STATES NORTH OF SO. CAROLINA AND EAST OF THE MISSISSIPPI

.85¢

ALL OTHER STATES

\$1.25

Add 50¢ extra during January, February, March, April for anti freeze pack.

We reserve the right to substitute unless otherwise specified.

State of Maine orders, add 4% for Sales Tax.

NEW ITEMS FOR SPRING

Asterisk (*) indicates for Greenhouse or Plant Room only

ACALYPHA godseffiana - Decorative creamy edged leaves, red tassel blooms	1.50	HYPOCYRTA strigilosa - Hairy green leaves, red blooms.	1.00
* ACACIA cultriformis (Knife Acacia) Sharp, stubby leaf, yellow blooms	1.00	IMPATIENS repens - Vine. Small bronze leaf, hooded yellow blooms.	.50
AESCHYNANTHUS lobbianus-red blm, trails	.50	KLEINIA tomentosa (White Awl) - White felt covered fleshy leaves.	1.00
ALOE brevifolia - low growing succulent	.50	KOHLERIA lindeniana - Plush leaves, silvery veins, purple blooms.	.75
ALTERNANTHERA surea nana-Gold & Green lvs.	.50	* LAPEIROUSIA grandiflora - Iris-like with pink lily-like blooms in Spring.	.50
ASPARAGUS asparagoides (Smilax) - climbing	.50	MALPIGHIA coccigera - Small holly-like leaf. Pinky-white blooms.	1.00
ASTROPHYTUM myriostigma (Bishop's Cap)	.75	MARANTA bicolor-Lge leaf Prayer plant	2.00
BEGONIA ACUTE ANGULARIS - Square stem, odd	.75	MARANTA arundinacea variegata "Tricolor". Colorful foliage plant.	2.00
BEGONIA CHANTILLY LACE - Light green leaf, with black stitch. Rhizomatous.	1.50	NEPHROLEPIS whitmani-Old lace fern	1.00
BEGONIA CRYSTAL LAKE - Grey-green heart-shaped green veins, white blooms.	2.00	OPUNTIA microdasys (Bunny Ears) Soft brown ear-like cactus.	.75
BEGONIA MAXIAE - Round apple-green leaf, stem with white scurf.	2.00	OXALIS lasiandra (Wagon Wheel) - Much divided leaf, Large rosy blooms.	.75
BEGONIA TRIBOURGENSIS - Glossy green leaf, red under white blooms.	1.50	PASSIFLORA edulis (The Purple Granadilla) White with purple blooms.	1.00
BEGONIA SOUTH PACIFIC - Db1. red Wax Beg.	.75	PHILODENDRON Webers Self-heading blade-shaped, red tinged leaves.	2.00
BROMELIADS - New rare types		PLUMBAGO capensis - Climbing, blue phlox-like blooms. Shrub.	1.00
Aechmea fasciata - Silver-white leaf, striking blooms and fruit.	1.50	POLYPODIUM aureum Mandaianum - Fern with graceful bluish crested fronds.	3.00
Aechmea luddemanniana - mottle leaf, white & purple berries.	1.50	PSEUDERANTHEMUM alatum (Chocolate plant) Chocolate leaves with silver.	1.00
Billbergia Fantasia - Exotic cream & white blotched foliage.	3.00	PUNICO Chico (Dwarf Pomegranate)	1.25
BUXUS microphylla japonica (Hardy Box)	.50	* SALVIA leucantha (Mexican Bush Sage) Silvery foliage, purple blooms.	.75
CALATHEA makoyana (Peacock Plant) - Rare	2.50	SENECIO scaposus caulescens - Long tubular silvery-blue rosette.	1.00
CALCEOLARIA scabaeosaefolia - Small yellow pouch-like blooms.	.50	SPATHICARPA sagittifolia - Green blooms in center of arrow-shaped leaf.	1.50
CHAEMEDORA tenelia (Blue Palm).	1.00	STAPELIA hirsuta - Odd clusters of short sooty green fingers. Succulent.	.50
CLIVIA miniata (Kafir Lily) - Cluster of spectacular orange blooms.	2.00	* STROBILANTHES isophyllus - Willow-like growth, lavender-blue flowers.	.75
COLUMNEA V. Covert - Lvs. glossy, narrow Upright growth. Pink blooms.	1.00	SYGONIUM macrophyllum - Exotic foliage with velvety heart-shaped leaves.	1.00
* CONVOLVULUS mauritanicus - Blue morning-glory-like blooms. Easy vine.	.75	ZYGOCACTUS Truncactus Orange - New shade of the popular crab cactus.	.75
CYCLAMEN neopolitanum alba (Baby Cyclamen)	.50		
DYCKIA fosteriana-Rare blue-green rosette.	2.00	<u>DWARF & MINIATURE GERANIUMS</u>	
ELAEAGNUS pungens aureo variegatus - yellow edged small leathery leaf.	1.00	<u>Double Blooming:</u>	
DIEFENBACHIA exotica - Broad leaf splashed with creamy white.	2.00	BANTAM - orange-red	.75
EPISCIA cupreata - Bronze hairy foliage.	1.00	BLACK DWARF - dark red	.75
EPISCIA lilacina Mrs. Fanny Haage - Dark leaf, light center. Trailing.	1.00	RED RIDING HOOD	.75
EPISCIA reptans (Fulgida) - Copper, silver veined leaves. Red blooms.	1.00		
EPIDENDRUM obrienianum (Butterfly Orchid)	1.50	<u>Single Blooming:</u>	
GARDENIA jasminoides - Popular Gardenia.	1.00	DEWITT'S DWARF - pink	.50
GARDENIA stricta nana - Baby Gardenia.	1.00	ETNA - cerise	.75
HEMIGRAPHIS exotica - Metallic purplish, puckered leaf. Semi-prostrate.	.75	ORANGE GALORE	.75
HEMIGRAPHIS redandra - Trailing, narrow metallic purple lvs. Small white blooms.	.75	TINKERBELLE - white	.75
HYPOCYRTA nummularia - Vine, red blooms.	.75		

SUGGESTIONS FOR WINTER SHIPPING

Many house plants are semi-hardy and will arrive in good condition even if chilled in transit. The following items can be shipped at any time. Fresh from the greenhouse, they will help brighten the dull winter days.

IVIES (HEDERA)

Cold weather cannot hurt these. Their fresh green or colored leaves are excellent, decorative indoor plants. On page 18 of our 1963-64 Catalog is a listing of 48 different types.

COLLECTION: 6 for \$2.50 (Specify Small, Medium leaved, or both)

SOME OUTSTANDING NEW VARIETIES NOT LISTED - Price 75¢ each, - Small leaved types: Buttercup, Irish Lace, Itsy Bitsy, Marginata green & white, Jubilee variegated. Medium leaved types: Maple Queen, Supreme, Sylvanian Beauty, Williamsiana variegated.

SCENTED GERANIUMS Price 50¢ each.

Enjoy these spicy leaved gems in late Winter. Where we grow them in the cold greenhouse, they start setting buds in January. Once budded, they will continue to bloom throughout the Spring in a sunny cool window and the foliage is always attractive even without blooms.

Suggestions for the best varieties are: - ROSE, PEPPERMINT, NUTMEG, APPLE, VARIEGATED LEMON, FERN LEAF, LITTLE GEM, DR. LIVINGSTON (Skeleton Rose), CONCOLOR LACE, STAGHORN OAK, LIME, STRAWBERRY, GINGER. Some odd different types: - BLANDFORDIANUM, BEAUTY, UPRIGHT COCOANUT, PRETTY POLLY, SHRUBLAND ROSE, MRS. KINGSLEY, JATROFOLIUM. COLLECTION: 8 different \$3.00.

WINTER FLOWERING PLANTS

Asterisk (*) indicates need plant room or greenhouse. Price - 50¢ each.

*Chrysanthemum frutescens Chrysaster Yellow, *Chrysanthemum frutescens White, *Chrysanthemum frutescens double or single Pink, Gazania hybrids, Ornithogalum caudatum, Ornithogalum unidentified, Ornithogalum Thyrsoides, Campanula isophylla alba, Campanula isophylla mayii, *Campanula elatines alba plena, *Campanula elatines flore plena, Chlorophytum elatum, Chlorophytum comosum mandianum, Ficus pumila, Lamium galeobdolon, *Malvestrum coccineum, Saxifraga sarmentosa, Saxifraga sarmentosa Maroon Beauty, Vinca major variegata.

LADY WASHINGTON GERANIUMS

(The Regal Geranium)

These also start setting buds in our cool greenhouse in Winter. Buy now and enjoy their beautiful Azalea-like blooms in shades of pinks, reds, maroons, black, white, lavender and purple. Our Catalog lists 30 varieties, but we carry over 50.

COLLECTION: - Special Price - 6 for \$2.50.

HARDY HERBS FOR THE SUNNY WINDOW - Price 50¢ each.

Burnet, Catnip, Chives, Spearmint, Orange Mint, Pineapple Mint, Parsley, Rosemary officinalis or prostrata, Sage, Winter Savory, Lemon Thyme, Lemon Thyme variegated, English or French.

COLLECTION: - 6 for \$2.50.

CACTI - Price 50¢ each. COLLECTION: 6 for \$2.50.

Easter Lily, Bow-tie, Sedum lineare var., Pickle, Sickle, Baby Sun Rose, Silver Cluster.

FOLIAGE PLANTS FOR WINTER SHIPPING

AMOMUM cardamon (Ginger Palm)	.50	EUONYMUS microphyllus-Boxwood-like green	.50
ACUBA japonica - yellow spotted	1.00	EUONYMUS microphyllus variegata	.75
ACANTHOSTACHYS strobilaceae Trailing	1.00	HEBE buxifolia variegated - Boxwood-like	.50
BUXUS microphylla japonica (Boxwood)	.50	HEBE speciosa - Green boxwood-like	.50
BUXUS Harlandi (Korean Boxwood)	.50	ILEX aquifolium fertilis (Holly)	1.00
BUXUS sempervirens marginata-variegated	.75	ILEX aquifolium aurea marginata (Holly)	1.50
BILLBERGIA nutans (Queen's Tears)	.75	OSMANTHUS fragrans (Sweet Olive)	1.50
CRYPTANTHUS zebrina (Zebra Plant)	1.00	SERRISSA foetida variegata - Dish plant	.50
CYPERUS alternifolius (Umbrella Palm)	.50	RUSCUS hypoglossum - Rare type foliage	1.50
CYPERUS diffusus (Dwarf Umbrella Palm)	.50	TOLMIEA menziesi (Piggy Back plant)	.50
CYRPTANTHUS bivittatus (Earth Stars)	1.00	TILLANDSIA ionantha - Small Bromeliad	1.00